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Re: Application of Luis Manuel DA COSTA CABRAL E GIL and Carlos Rodrigues PEREIRA  
PROCESS FOR ELIMINATING/REDUCING COMPOUNDS WITH A MUSTY TASTE/ODOUR IN MATERIALS THAT ARE TO COME INTO CONTACT WITH FOODSTUFFS AND IN FOODS OR DRINKS  
Assignee: **CHIP-CENTRO DE HIGIENIZACAO POR IONIZACAO DE PRODUTOS, S.A.**  
Our Ref: Q92851

Dear Sir:

The following documents are submitted herewith in connection with the above application for the purpose of entering the National stage under 35 U.S.C. §371 and in accordance with the Patent Cooperation Treaty:

☒ a copy of the International Application.

A copy of the Declaration and Power of Attorney, and a copy of the Assignment will be submitted at a later date.

In addition to the documents submitted herewith, it is assumed that copies of the International Application, the International Search Report and cited references, the International Preliminary Examination Report, and any Articles 19 and 34 amendments as required by §371(c) will be supplied directly by the International Bureau, but if further copies are needed, the undersigned will undertake to provide them upon request.

It is expressly requested that the national stage of processing be commenced immediately in accordance with 35 U.S.C. § 371(f).



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Search Fee										\$500.00
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Priority is claimed from:

<u>Country</u>	<u>Application No</u>	<u>Filing Date</u>
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